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Stated Meeting, January 1, 1892.

Present, 9 members.

President, Mr. FRALEY, in the Chair.

Correspondence was submitted as follows:

Letters of acknowledgment from the Institut Egyptien, Cairo (134); Museum Teyler, Harlem, Holland (135).

A photograph for the Society's Album was received from Prof. Albert H. Smyth, Philadelphia.

Accessions to the Library were reported from the Académie des Sciences, Cracow, Austria; Naturwissenschaftliche Verein des Reg.-Bez. Frankfurt, Germany; Hydrographische Amt des Reichs-Marine-Amtes, Messrs. Friedländer und Sohn, Berlin; Gartenbauverein, Darmstadt; Deutsche Gesellschaft für Anthropologie, Ethnologie, etc., Munich; Société Hollandaise des Sciences, Harlem, Holland; Biblioteca N. C., Florence, Italy; R. Accademia dei Lincei, Biblioteca N. C. V. E., Rome; Société Americaine de France, Société de Géographié, Rédaction "Cosmos," Paris, France; Philological Society, Cambridge, England; Royal Astronomical, Meteorological, Geographical Societies, Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, "Nature," London; Manchester Geographical Society; Theological Seminary, Andover, Mass.; American Statistical Association, Dr. William Elliot Griffis, Boston, Mass.; Museum of Comparative Zoology, Cambridge, Mass.;

Newport Sanitary Protection Association; Hartford Theological Seminary, Travellers Insurance Co., Hartford, Conn.; Yale University, Prof. H. A. Newton, New Haven, Conn.; University of the State of New York, Albany; Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y.; American Chemical Society, Historical Society, Meteorological Observatory, New York; College of Pharmacy, Messrs. Lea Brothers & Co., Editor of the "Medical and Surgical Reporter," Editor of "Pennsylvania County Court Reports," Prof. E. D. Cope, Philadelphia; Johns Hopkins University, Editor of the "American Journal of Philology," Baltimore, Md.; Department of State, Washington, D. C.; Agricultural Experiment Stations, Morgantown, W. Va., Experiment, Ga., Auburn, Ala., Raleigh, N. C., Lafayette, Ind., Corvallis, Oreg., Ames, Ia., Fort Collins, Colo., Berkeley, Cal.; Observatorio, Rio de Janeiro.

The following were reported as duly elected Officers and Councilors of the Society :

President.

Frederick Fraley.

Vice-Presidents.

E. Otis Kendall, W. S. W. Ruschenberger, J. P. Lesley.

Secretaries.

George F. Barker, Daniel G. Brinton, Henry Phillips, Jr.,
George H. Horn.

Curators.

Patterson Du Bois, J. Cheston Morris, R. Meade Bache.

Treasurer.

J. Sergeant Price.

Councilors.

Richard Wood, William V. McKean, Richard Vaux,
Isaac C. Martindale.

Councilor for two years, vice Aubrey H. Smith, deceased.

William P. Tatham.

The report of the Finance Committee was presented, and the appropriations for the year ending November 30, 1892, passed.

Nominations for Librarian being in order, Dr. Morris re-nominated Mr. Henry Phillips, Jr., and Prof. Cope nominated Mr. B. S. Lyman, and the nominations were closed.

Pending nomination for membership 1232 and new nomination 1233 were read.

Prof. Cope offered for the Transactions a paper entitled "A Synopsis of the species Tied, genus Cnemidophorus."

On motion, the paper was referred to a Committee, to be appointed by the President at his leisure.*

Prof. Cope presented for the Proceedings a paper by Prof. George Baur (of Worcester, Mass.), on the "Taxonomy of the genus Emys, C. Dumeril."

Curator Morris exhibited a variety of objects from the cabinets of the Society.

Dr. Cope suggested that when a paper is presented through a member of the Society for publication, in case of its non-acceptance, it should be returned to the member offering the same, and not sent to its author.

And the Society was adjourned by the President.

* The President subsequently appointed as such Committee, Drs. Ryder, Jayne and Sharp.